

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
EL PASO DIVISION**

ARMANDO AGUILAR MORALES
et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Defendant.

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CAUSE NO. EP-23-CV-247-KC

ORDER

On this day, the Court considered the parties' Notice of Settlement, ECF No. 28. The parties inform the Court that they have reached a conditional settlement of all claims in this matter. *Id.* The parties acknowledge that because Plaintiff J.J.A.R. is a minor, and because she and her father, Plaintiff Armando Aguilar Morales, are each pursuing their own claims for damages, the Court must appoint a guardian ad litem and hold a hearing to approve the settlement.¹ *Id.*; *see also* Fed. R. Civ. P. 17(c).

Accordingly, the Court **ORDERS** that, **on or before June 24, 2024**, the parties shall meet, confer, and propose a guardian ad litem to be appointed for J.J.A.R. If the parties cannot agree, each party may provide the Court with a list of three proposed guardians ad litem. After a guardian ad litem is appointed, the Court will schedule a settlement hearing to determine whether the proposed settlement is in J.J.A.R.'s best interest.

¹ While Plaintiff F.R.I. was also a minor when this lawsuit was initiated, he has since attained the age of majority. *See* Compl. ¶ 3, ECF No. 1.

SO ORDERED.

SIGNED this 23rd day of May, 2024.


KATHLEEN CARDONE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE